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OPERATIONAL MEMORANDUM
NO. 550-17

SUBJECT: Intelligence Information Requirements

REFERENCE: Memorandum from the Deputy Director, CIA, to the Assistant Director for Reports and Estimates, dated 22 November 1950, subject: Intelligence Support of the Munitions Board.

1. An initial list of strategic and critical materials vital to the support of the national industrial mobilization is appended.

2. Without prejudice to the primary mission, Field Bureau Chiefs will alert appropriate staff members to the need for current information on these vital foreign resources as well as key facilities which are necessary to process them. Facilities are meant to include location, physical description, production capacity, etc.

3. Our interest in these foreign resources and facilities are limited at present to certain areas which may be available to the United States as sources of supply for strategic materials. These are as follows:

a. North, Central and South America - all countries.

b. Africa - all countries except Egypt.

c. Asia - to include India, Ceylon, Japan, Indonesia and Philippines only.

d. Oceania

4. This material may be sent to Washington via normal teletype facilities or by air mail, depending on the urgency of the information and other wire commitments.

5. Responsive information received in departmental headquarters will be published either in the Daily Reports or the Information Abstracts.

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CURRENT LIST OF STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS

- Agar
- Aluminum
- Antimony
- Asbestos
  - Amosite
  - Chrysotile
  - Crocidolite
- Bauxite
  - Metal Grade
  - Abrasive Grade
- Beryl
- Bismuth
- Cadmium
- Castor Oil
- Celestite
- Chromite
  - Chemical Grade
  - Metallurgical Grade
  - Refractory Grade
- Cobalt
- Coconut Oil
- Columbite
- Copper
- Cordage Fibers
  - Manila
  - Sisal
- Corundum
- Cryolite, Natural
- Diamond Dies
- Diamonds, Industrial
- Emetine
- Feathers and Down
- Fluorspar
  - Acid Grade
  - Metallurgical Grade
- Graphite
  - Amorphous Lump
  - Crystalline Fines
  - Crystalline Flake
    - Crucible Grade
    - Lubricant and Packing Grade
- Hyoscine
- Iodine
- Jewel Bearings
  - Instrument Jewels, except Vee Jewels
  - Sapphire and Ruby Vee Jewels
  - Watch and Time-keeping Device Jewels
- Kyanite
- Lead
- Magnesium
- Manganese Ore
  - Battery Grade
  - Chemical Grade
  - Metallurgical Grade
- Molybdenum
- Mercury
- Mica
  - Muscovite Block, Good Stained and Better
  - Muscovite Block, Stained & Lower
  - Muscovite Film
  - Muscovite Splittings
  - Phlogopite Block
  - Phologopite Splittings
- Monazite
- Nickel
- Opium
- Optical Glass
- Palm Oil
- Pepper
- Petroleum
- Platinum Group Metals
  - Iridium
  - Osmium
  - Palladium
  - Platinum
  - Rhodium
  - Ruthenium
- Pyrethrum
- Quartz Crystals
- Quebracho
- Quinidine
- Quinine
- Rubber, Crude Natural
- Rutile
- Sapphire and Ruby
- Selenium
- Shellac
- Silk
- Sperm Oil
- Talc, Steatite, Block
- Talc, Steatite, Ground
- Tantalite
- Tin
- Tungsten
- Vanadium
- Zinc
- Zirconium Ores
  - Baddeleyite
  - Zircon

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